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Request
for
Continued Examination (RCE)
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Application Number	09/823,697
Filing Date	March 31, 2001
First Named Inventor	Diveley, Keith W. et al.
Art Unit	3621
Examiner Name	James A. Reagan
Attorney Docket Number	20375-004000

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

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1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

- a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
- i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- ii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
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- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. **Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, charge any additional fee(s) or underpayments of fee(s) or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 20-1430. I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17) (Petition for Extension of 2 months attached)
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Keith W. Diveley et al.

Application No.: 09/823,697

Filed: March 31, 2001

For: PAYMENT SERVICE METHOD
AND SYSTEM

Customer No.: 20350

Confirmation No. 7446

Examiner: James A. Reagan

Technology Center/Art Unit: 3621

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR
CONTINUING EXAMINATION

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Sir:

In connection with the accompanying Request for Continued Examination, and in response to the Office Action dated December 22, 2004, Applicants make the following amendments and submit the following remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. The amendments to the claims herein are made relative to the claims as filed in the September 22, 2004 Amendment.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 19 of this paper.